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TRAVEL BAN: NORTHERN APPEAL TO BRITAIN

THE British Home Secretary agreed yesterday in the House of Commons to receive a deputation of Northern Ireland M.P.s to discuss aspects of the recently-imposed ban on travel between Britain and Ireland.

In reply to requests to lighten the handicap thrust upon Northern Ireland residents, he said he must deal with Ireland as a whole, as he was "up against geographical facts."

Mr. Granville (Ind.) asked what advantages of membership of the British Commonwealth of Nations Eire enjoyed, and if she subscribed to the conditions of consultation under the Statute of Westminster.

Mr. Emrys-Evans (Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Dominion Affairs)—The position of Eire is anomalous. Broadly, Eire is treated by us as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, but she is, of course, excluded from the benefits of all special war-time arrangements. The Statute of Westminster does not prescribe conditions of consultation.

Professor Savory (Unionist, Queen's University) said citizens of Eire enjoyed greater privileges in Britain as British subjects than the citizens of other Dominions, particularly with regard to military service, the practice of medicine and so on.

Sir Hugh O'Neill (U., Antrim) said that as a result of the recent alteration of the permit regulations Northern Ireland students at colleges and schools in Great Britain, and other innocent people, were being refused permits and were unable to get home. He asked Mr. Morrison to investigate these cases with a view to allowing them to travel.

Mr. Morrison — The suggestion that the refusal of a permit is a reflection on the innocence or *bona fides* of the applicant is entirely misconceived. The scheme is to place, for the time being, a general ban on travel to Ireland, subject to certain closely limited exceptions.

One of the exceptions is for boys and girls at boarding schools in Great Britain, whose homes are in Ireland and cannot arrange to spend the Easter holidays here. As regards older students who have left schools and are attending colleges in this country it would not be right to make a general exception, since during the short Easter holiday there should, generally speaking, be little difficulty in making arrangements to remain and doing some useful work in this country. Applications, however, will be considered in any individual case where the refusal of a permit would involve hardship of an urgent and compelling character.

"SINS OF EIRE"

When Sir Hugh O'Neill asked the Home Secretary to receive a deputation of Northern Ireland M.P.s to try to come to some arrangement, Mr. Morrison replied: 'Yes, certainly. But I would like to make the general observation that it is only a week since the House and the country received with, as far as I can see, unanimous and definite approval, the ban on travel to Ireland, and if already within a week we are going to have a strong push to make big exceptions, the purpose of the ban will be ineffective."

Sir Hugh O'Neill—Northern Ireland is in the war, and is in an entirely different category from Southern Ireland.

Mr. Morrison—With great respect, for this purpose it cannot be in a different category. I must deal with Great Britain as a whole on the one hand, and with Ireland as a whole on the other. There is no reflection on Northern Ireland whatever.

Prof. Savory—Does the Home Secretary not think it unfair that Northern Ireland should be compelled to do penance for the sins of Eire?

Mr. Morrison—I can quite understand the point, but I am up against geographical facts, and that cannot be helped.

"Eire Has Right to Neutrality"

—"ECONOMIST"

HAVING stated that Mr. de Valera's answer to the United States Note was a refusal to infringe the strictest canons of neutrality—in an editorial that has been cabled and widely quoted abroad by foreign correspondents—*The Economist* observes that it is rarely that a clear cut judgment is possible on Irish affairs.

"On the one hand there is no doubt that the overwhelming body of American and British opinion thinks that Irish neutrality is not only morally indefensible, but also contrary to Ireland's own ultimate interests. There has never been the slightest secret about the British Government's wish that Eire were in the war; that the enemy missions were expelled from Dublin, and that naval and air bases were available all over Ireland instead of in one corner of the country only. On the other hand, Irish opinion is even more nearly unanimous in support of the policy of neutrality, and there cannot be any doubt that under international law, or the Statute of Westminster—whichever is appealed to—Eire has a perfect right to her neutrality."

Having stated that the course advocated by *The Economist* in 1940—that of force—would be folly now; in the different circumstances, the editorial continues:

"But for one thing it might be said that Irish opinion was moving back towards the Commonwealth. That one thing is 'partition'—the existence of Northern Ireland as an integral part of the United Kingdom.

"To the inhabitants of Eire—or the great majority of them—the ending of partition—which they look to the English to bring about—is a pre-requisite of any closer association with England. But the prospects of ending partition—if they ever existed—have, of course, vanished, and the British attitude has significantly changed.

"It will be a very long time before there is any party in England or Scotland in favour of bringing the slightest pressure to bear on Ulster to leave the United Kingdom and enter Eire. And if, by some miracle, the inhabitants of Northern Ireland wanted to make the change, the behaviour of Eire during this war has demonstrated that the strategic interests of the United Kingdom would not permit it. The ports were ceded in the expectation that closer relations would follow. Clearly no such risk will be taken again. The only weapon the Southern Irish have ever possessed has been their ability to make the English feel ashamed of themselves. Now it has been thrown away."

The Economist goes on to state that it is most unlikely that anyone in England, for many years to come, will lift a finger to meet Eire's own terms for re-entering the Commonwealth, and it foresees a deadlock—"a not unfriendly deadlock."

"Eire, or Britain, or it," proceeds, "the damage will be slight, if, indeed, it is perceptible, since the only place where damage might have been inflicted was in honour or conscience, and that has been inoculated by the war. But to Ireland the damage will be considerable. Irish society will get steadily more isolated and inbred. The first masochistic raptures of deliberate isolation are passing and the results are beginning to appear. A particularly narrow, bigoted and tyrannical form of Roman Catholicism gains new victories every day.

"The old slogan has been proved true: 'Home Rule means Rome rule,' and in the Archdiocese of Dublin the faithful have just been forbidden to attend Trinity College, or to contract any form of mixed marriage, even if the children's upbringing has been safeguarded. The censorship is abritrary, erratic and ridiculously stringent, whether it be on political or on moral grounds."

War Distress Fund Exceeds £1,260

THE "Irish Times" Red Cross Fund now exceeds £1,260. The Fund is being raised in aid of the peoples who have suffered privation and destitution as a result of the war. Every penny subscribed to the Fund is being ear-marked for that purpose, and not one penny of it will be retained in this country on any pretext.

Cheques should be made payable to the Irish Times, Ltd., and crossed "Irish Red Cross Society." All subscriptions will be acknowledged in our columns and will be handed to the Society, which will issue receipts directly to the subscribers.

Good wishes for the success of the Fund continue to come in with the subscriptions. One woman writes. . . . "I am only too glad to be able to take some small part in the great humanitarian work which has been sponsored by your newspaper. . . . Here in neutral Eire very few of us realise the extent of the suffering endured by our fellow-human beings, and if we can help in any way towards alleviating these hardships it is up to us to do our bit."

Another writes: "The populations of the war-torn countries are enduring trials which we can scarcely believe. Now is the time to do something about it. The only material help we can give at present is to give all we can in the way of money."

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Von Kleist Commands In Ukraine

THE German military commentator, Martin Hallensleben, said last night, according to Reuter, that operations on the Southern Russian front recently had been under the command of Field-Marshal von Kleist.

In his review of the southern front, Hallensleben stated that Von Kleist, earlier reported to have been commanding troops on Marshal von Manstein's right flank, was in supreme command of the disengaging movements on the Southern front, while Colonel-General Hollidt was in command of operations on the Lower Bug.

Last night's Soviet communiqué reported further advances all along the front from north-east of Lvov to north of Nikolaev. South of Mogilev-Podolsk bridgeheads in the Dniester were extended and forty places occupied, including Ataki, a regional centre of the Moldavian Soviet Republic and important rail link on the Czernovitz-Bieltsi railway on the right bank of the Dniester. Verba and sixty places were taken in the Dubno and Lvov regions. The railway stations of Brailov and Mateikovo and eighty places were captured west and south-west of Vinnitsa, and sixty more places south of Zhmerinka. Fifty places S.W. of Novo Ukrainka and 40 S.W. of Brobinets were also captured.

Cost of War

Britain is spending 17½ millions a day on the war. Exchequer returns for last week show that the cost of supply services rose to over £122,000,000.

From east of Lvov, to north of Nikolaev, the Red Army is closing in fast on the last main junctions still in German hands, states Reuter's Moscow Correspondent.

General Dittmar, spokesman of the German High Command, said last night that the front from Lvov to the Vinnitsa area might not be held for much longer. How long it could be held, and must be held, he said, is a question calling for careful consideration.—(Reuter.)

Supplies by Air Near Cassino

The battle for Cassino is now fiercer than ever. Since the Germans brought up their Panzer Grenadiers to strengthen the original parachutist garrison, states Reuter's correspondent, mopping-up of strong-points on the hill slopes and within the flattened town itself has been slowed.

Inside the town, and particularly on the hillsides stretching towards the Abbey, the Germans have taken up positions that make outflanking impossible. The New Zealanders are forced to reduce these strong-points one by one by frontal attack.

Fifth Army men working their way up towards the Abbey were supplied by air for the second time in 72 hours. All roads have been destroyed by bomb and shell, and it is impossible even for pack mules to bring up supplies.

At noon on Monday, and again two hours later, Invader aircraft dropped 48 parachute loads of food, water, and ammunition.

Inside Cassino German troops are still holding out in the Hotel Continental, although their two tanks in the foyer have been knocked out. In the hotel area 180 prisoners have been taken, bringing the total for Cassino to 220. German concentrations outside the town were shelled.

In the Anzio beach-head, Allied ground forces, supported by artillery, carried out a raid in force across the western end of the perimeter and inflicted heavy casualties on the Germans.

British and Germans used the same farmhouse as an advanced dressing post during skirmishing in the Moletta Valley area.

Death Sentence On Two Sisters

ROSE SHANNON and Julia Shannon, sisters, of Toneymore, Derrylin, were sentenced to death yesterday at Fermanagh Assizes by Lord Justice Murphy on the charge of murdering Nancy, the three-year-old illegitimate daughter of their sister, Gretta Shannon. The jury made a recommendation to mercy. The execution was fixed for April 11th.

Sergeant Gallagher, Derrylin, gave evidence of statements made by the women. Rose said there were four Shannon sisters living together with two illegitimate children of Gretta—a boy and the deceased child. On November 4th they were moving to another house in Drumdoney. The accused women were to take the last load of furniture and bring the children. She said to Julia that they should get rid of the little girl.

Julia agreed to do away with the child. She (Rose) put the child, head downwards, into a bucket of water. Julia was watching. They continued with their work, and twenty minutes later Rose looked and saw the child was dead.

When charged with the murder, Julia said: "I did not kill Nancy. That is all I can say." He gave her a copy of Rose's statement and she said: "That statement is correct."

The evidence also disclosed that Gretta Shannon was in hospital for her third confinement after the disappearance of the dead child.

Powder Works Bombed

A British Air Ministry report yesterday stated: "On Monday night a small force of Lancasters of Bomber Command attacked an important explosives works at Angoulême, some 60 miles north-east of Bordeaux.

"Mosquitos attacked targets in Western Germany. None of our aircraft is missing."

A U.S.A. announcement said that military targets in the Pas de Calais area were attacked by Liberators of the Eighth Air Force yesterday. Seven fighters are missing from an offensive sweep into France.

Bombs on London

Many incendiaries were dropped in a raid on London early this morning.

Some members of the staff of a publishing firm were killed when a heavy bomb burst outside the building.

Six raiding aircraft were destroyed.

NEXT HARVEST'S PROSPECTS

"We May Be Independent Of Foreign Supplies"

WHEN moving an Estimate of £845,230, in the Dail last night, for the Department of Agriculture, the Minister (Dr. Ryan) said he was favourably impressed with the amount of tillage that had been done, and he thought that with the greatly increased sowings of all crops they should be virtually independent of all foreign supplies.

He appealed, however, for more sowing in order to be on the safe side. They must make up their minds that when the war ended the emergency, so far as food is concerned, would go on for some years.

Dr. RYAN said there was a net decrease on the whole estimate of £110,124, as compared with last year's estimate. Last year almost £200,000 was provided for the import of nitrate of soda, and as they were not getting any nitrate of soda now that was not included. There was a sum of about £100,000 for the manufacture of superphosphate from imported phosphates and pyrites and native pyrites from Avoca. That left them £100,000 on the right side so far as fertilisers were concerned.

The analyses and prices of fertilisers would be the same as in 1943.

He outlined the negotiations that had taken place with regard to the National Stud Farm at Tully, and said proposals would be brought before the Dail, he hoped, in the very near future for putting this farm on a regular basis.

There was a special amount of £10,000 for publicity in connection with increased food production.

Drawing attention to a sum of £52,560 for the farm improvement schemes, Dr. RYAN said that there was a further £350,000 for the same purpose in the Emergency Schemes Vote. The scheme was working well. The area under flax increased in 1943 to some 27,500 acres.

BUTTER SUPPLIES

It would be hard to imagine, continued the Minister, that in 1939 their problem was too much butter; they had a big exportable surplus, and there seemed to be nobody to take it. A few years later the tables were turned the other way. It came to such a point that they had to stop the export of butter because they were not getting fats from other sources. The price of milk would go back to 10½d. a gallon in April next, nearly double the price obtaining at the beginning of the war. Production of creamery butter up to March 31st this year would be something over 601,000 cwts. In the same period in 1943 it was 611,000 cwts., and the previous year 658,000 cwts. In the year 1939-40, when war began, production was 714,000 cwts. He was glad to be able to say that for January and February of this year production is up by about 14 per cent. on the same period last year.

This winter they had in cold storage some 172,000 cwts.—3,000 cwts. more than the year before. They had not enough, and it was intended to continue the present ration for some time into the summer to see how they stood. If they felt that they could get about 210,000 cwts. stored, they could give a ration of half a pound during the winter.

MILK AND EGGS

Dr. RYAN said that, especially where the cities of Dublin and Cork were concerned, there appeared to have been a steady increase in the consumption of milk. The figures for 1939 showed that an average of 39,468 gallons was consumed per day. In 1943, 43,272 gallons per day were consumed, an increase of almost ten per cent. The egg exports were lower, due to various causes. There had been an increase in home consumption. There was a heavier selling of laying poultry, and there was a scarcity of feeding-stuffs, aggravated in 1943 by an increase in the number of turkeys. The price of eggs would be higher—probably from fourpence to fivepence on average over the year. Cockerels would fetch a very fancy price—from 2s. 6d. per pound live-weight. Exports and imports of poultry were the same as in 1942.

Speaking of pigs, Dr. RYAN said that there was an Order made on September 30th, 1943, fixing the minimum price for pigs, and doing away with the fixed price for pigs. The price had been fixed at 12s. per cwt., and when the maximum price level was removed the prices increased to 160s. and 170s. a cwt. There were indications that there would be more pigs coming along. But there could be no big increase in pig production until they could provide feeding.

A very good increase had been made in the knowledge of agriculture possessed by their farmers, and he could say that Irish farmers compared favourably with Continental farmers in knowledge and experience. The question of augmenting the facilities for agricultural education was under consideration. The personal representatives of the late Lady Maurice Fitzgerald had kindly placed Johnstown Castle, Co. Wexford, at the disposal of the nation for agricultural education, a very fine property, standing in 1,000 acres. So soon as arrangements could be made for a certain amount of reconstruction, the college would be opened.

Electricity Cut Appeal

An urgent appeal for a 25 per cent. reduction in electricity consumption was made by the Electricity Supply Board yesterday. Rainfall during the past six weeks has only been 20 per cent. of the normal, and the output of the Shannon station has been reduced, while the Pigeon House station's output cannot be maintained at normal owing to the very inferior coal which is available. A ten per cent. reduction was achieved by economies after the last appeal.

If a 25 per cent. reduction cannot be obtained voluntarily from consumers, a restriction on industrial supply, with dislocation of industry, may prove inevitable.

TRIBUTE TO T.C.D.

Dr. RYAN said he should like to pay tribute to the authorities of Trinity College, Dublin, for placing part of their botanic gardens at the disposal of the Department, to enable improvements to be carried out, and to extend the veterinary college. When the buildings were completed and they got all the necessary equipment, they would have a college that would compare very favourably with any of its kind elsewhere.

There would, he continued, have to be greater expenditure on veterinary research for the purpose of controlling and eradicating all livestock diseases. The personnel they had was good, but they wanted more. He intended to examine in more minute detail the whole question of the working of the various institutes and research bodies. The proposal had been made that they should all be incorporated in one technological college.

The farmers, he said, were better off than ever they were since 1920.

Mr. J. HUGHES (F.G.) suggested that the present price of 1s. per gallon for creamery milk must be maintained over the summer months. He saw great possibilities in the industry if it were properly managed.

Progress was reported.

The Local Authorities (Education Scholarships) Bill, 1944, was next taken, and the Committee stage was passed.

The House adjourned until to-day.

New Northern Minister of Education

Lieut.-Colonel S. H. Hall-Thompson, M.P. for the Clifton Division of Belfast, has been appointed Minister of Education, in succession to Professor Corkey. He is Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Ulster Unionist Council, and was a member of the Belfast Corporation from 1925 until 1931.

Sir Roland Nugent has been appointed Minister without portfolio and leader of the Senate. Educated at Cambridge and Bonn University, he served in the Diplomatic Service, and then at the Foreign Office for a number of years, and from 1916 until 1918 was Director of the Federation of British Industries.

So far the post of Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Education, from which Mrs. Parker resigned recently, has not been filled.

Pope's Message

The following message has been received by the Most Rev. Dr. D. D'Alton, Bishop of Meath, from Cardinal Maglione, Papal Secretary of State:—

"Message of sympathy and anxiety for the safety of the Sovereign Pontiff and the City of Rome gratefully acknowledged. Holy Father particularly appreciates Diocesan Novena of Prayer and imparts to your Lordship, your clergy and people his paternal Apostolic Benediction.

12,000 on Strike In Belfast

THE strike of Belfast engineers took a serious turn yesterday, when employees in the main and two branch factories of James Mackie and Sons, Ltd., decided to down tools. Members of all trades, except joiners, pattern makers, and electricians are involved. There are now about 12,000 men on strike.

It is expected that the Government will take strong action to secure a resumption of work. Last Friday employees of Messrs. Mackie presented a demand for a rate of three shillings an hour, and said that they would go on strike on the following day, but after consultations the men agreed to postpone their decision until yesterday.

The firm announced yesterday morning that the demand could not be conceded, and that an application affecting wages on a national scale was under consideration and that the firm always adhered to national agreements.

Hunger Strike Ends

It was unofficially stated last night that the trouble in Londonderry Jail, where 100 internees have been on hunger strike, has ended. The men had been on strike as a protest against the system whereby they do their own cooking and laundering.

It is understood that the settlement was brought about by the influence of relatives, who visited the prison on Monday.

Cattlemen Support Government

Proposing the adoption of a resolution supporting the action of the Taoiseach rejecting the American Note, Mr. M. Birmingham said at a meeting of the Irish Livestock Exporters and Traders' Association last night that if economic sanctions are enforced, the farmers and traders will back the Government to the last.

The motion was seconded by Mr. J. F. O'Grady, who said that he was very proud to see that the cattle trade had taken up this attitude.

It was decided to visit the Department for External Affairs with a view to clarifying the position concerning the issue of travel permits to England and Scotland.

Mr. John Fleming, secretary, said that traders holding a three-month visa would be permitted to use it during the period of validity. The position regarding monthly visas had not yet been clarified.

Mr. L. Ferris said that some members had been refused permit renewals, and the secretary replied—Their permits were withheld when they went for renewals, and they were being sent to London for verification, and would probably be returned within a fortnight.

Balkans Attack Imminent

The arrival in Cairo yesterday of General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Allied Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean, for consultation with Allied authorities there was followed by neutral reports of large-scale Allied preparations for blows at Southern Europe and the Balkans.

The *Basler Nachrichten's* correspondent at Chiasso reported: "Unconfirmed reports are circulating in Italy about large-scale military preparations for Allied troop landings in the Mediterranean zone, and an imminent attack on the Balkans is becoming ever more certain.

"According to other information, the British and Americans are concentrating strong forces in Sardinia and Cornica, where numerous crack units are already stationed. This seems to indicate that General Eisenhower plans landings at several points, including Southern France."

War Chiefs Meet

Highest military, naval, and Cabinet officials met here yesterday in an unannounced conference with Mr. Cordell Hull, Reuter's Washington correspondent cables. All those who attended arrived by private entrances to the State Department.

RUSSIAN TERMS UNACCEPTABLE

THE Russian armistice conditions given to Finland on February 19th — "minimum and basic terms"—have been found unacceptable, according to a Finnish Government communiqué, quoted yesterday by the German Overseas News Agency and relayed by Reuter.

The communiqué states that, although the conditions obtained by M. Passiviki were hard, the Finnish Government did not wish to reject the chance of continuing conversations, and, after receiving approval of Parliament—by 105 votes to 80—the Government suggested to the Russians that it should be "given an opportunity to express its own view."

An N.B.C. correspondent, quoted by Reuter, broadcasting from Stockholm yesterday, after the Finnish Government had made known its rejection of the Soviet armistice terms, said there were two main stumbling blocks. According to reliable reports, he declared, Finland—

1—Wished to be regarded as a negotiating party in order to avoid the conception of a dictated armistice, and

2—still desired more details from Moscow before accepting as official the reported new interpretation of Moscow's terms.

The text of the Finnish communiqué, as quoted by the German Agency, says, according to Reuter: "It is the duty of the Finnish Government to investigate all the different possibilities which may arise in safeguarding Finland's freedom and independence. The Government thus had the duty to find out under what conditions the re-establishment of peaceful conditions between Finland and the Soviet Union would be possible, and under what conditions an honourable and stable peace could be obtained."

Moscow's answer, received on March 10th, was to the effect that the Finnish suggestion was "completely unsatisfactory," and that the armistice conditions given on February 19th should be regarded as minimum and basic terms. Only after they had been accepted, said the Soviet Note, would it be possible to discuss the conclusion of hostilities, and a positive answer within a fixed time limit was demanded.

Moscow last night broadcast an official statement confirming earlier unofficial reports that Saturday was the "zero" hour for the Finn decision, and added:—"On March 17th the Finnish Government gave a negative reply regarding the Soviet declaration, and thereby assumed full responsibility for the consequences."

Flaming Lava Engulfs Town

The district of Cercola, Naples, has been evacuated as a result of the eruption of Vesuvius, which is described as the most violent since 1872.

A new phase of eruption, emitting gigantic clouds of smoke, began yesterday afternoon. The flow of lava has since ebbed appreciably, and Vesuvius is now much quieter.

Earlier a flaming wave of lava was slowly engulfing houses as it rolled down the main street of San Sebastiano—one-third of which last night lay buried beneath fifty feet of lava and cinders—while a second wave, perhaps 100 feet broad, is pushing down the gulley into the plain before Naples.

Arrangements have been made for the immediate evacuation of about 17,000 people from the Naples plains. Peasants are trying to save their household belongings with the help of Allied soldiers and vehicles. —(Reuter.)

Japanese Units Enter India

A Tokyo despatch, quoted by the German News Agency last night, said that whole brigades of Lord Louis Mountbatten's 17th Division in the Manipur Valley had "abandoned their guns and equipment and swam across the Manipur River into Indian territory."

In the meantime, said the Tokyo despatch, the whole of the Japanese Burma Army was preparing to cross into India from the upper reaches of the Chindwin River.

The Radio added that Japanese Army units are fighting on Indian soil.

American troops have captured Emirau Island, 84 miles north-west of Kavieng, a position which places them within bombing range of Truk, says General MacArthur.—(Reuter.)

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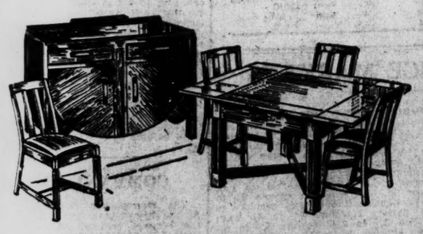

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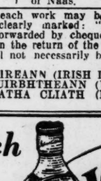
Good Scotch Whisky  **WALKER**

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R.D.S. SPRING SHOW

The Royal Dublin Society's Spring Show will be held at Ballsbridge on May 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th next. Classes are provided for cattle, sheep, and pigs; and there will be jumping competitions, children's gymkhana events, and the usual classes for trade turn-outs. Entries for stock close on March 30th, for trade turn-outs on April 21st, and for jumping competitions and gymkhana events on the evening before the competition takes place.

NAAS RACES,

SATURDAY, APRIL 22nd, 1944.

The following Races Close to-day (WEDNESDAY), MARCH 22nd, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin:—

THE CELBRIDGE PLATE of 100 sovs. Handicap hurdle. Two miles.

THE NAAS STEWARDS' PLATE of 100 sovs. Handicap steeplechase. Three miles.

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THE FISHERY PLATE of 200 sovs. Maiden three years old and upwards. Six furlongs.

THE MAUDLINS PLATE of 100 sovs. Maiden four years old and upwards. Amateur Riders. Two miles.

Closing Stages of Irish Hockey Season

By P. D. MacWEENEY.

THE main interest in the closing stages of the Irish hockey season will be centred in Belfast. On Saturday week Y.M.C.A. travel there to meet Banbridge in the final of the Irish Senior Cup, and on Saturday, April 22nd, Leinster will also go North to play a return interprovincial match against Ulster. This should be a big attraction, for the game at Londonbridge road a few weeks ago was about the best seen in Dublin since 1939. Ulster, on their own territory, have high hopes of avenging many defeats sustained during the last five seasons.

Northern hopes also run high in the Senior Cup final, for Banbridge are very hard to beat at any time; and particularly so in a semi-final or final in Belfast. They shaped well against Limerick P.T.M.A. at Londonbridge road last Saturday, and should have a good chance of lowering the Y.M.C.A. colours on Saturday week. They last won the trophy eighteen years ago, and it is twelve years since the cup went to Ulster outright. In 1941, Limerick and Lisnagarvey qualified for the final, but the match could not be arranged, so the clubs shared the honour.

If Banbridge and Ulster bring off the double, W. McCabe will probably deserve a good share of the congratulations. Captain of his club and province, he gave an outstanding display at left full-back in the drawn game with Leinster, and in normal times would very likely have earned a place on the Irish XI.

All that remains to be settled in Leinster hockey is the destination of the senior league, and, by reason of their win over Three Rock Rovers last Saturday, Y.M.C.A. have gone a point in front of Pembroke Wanderers. The official closing date for the season in Dublin is April 15th; we may have to wait until then before the championship is decided between the two clubs.

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Y.M.C.A.	14	12	0	2	47	19	24
Pembroke W..	16	10	3	3	36	18	23
Three R. R..	16	9	3	4	32	23	21
Portrane	15	9	0	6	38	31	18
Corinthians....	16	6	3	7	25	26	15
Railway U....	16	6	4	6	26	28	14
Dublin Univ.	15	6	4	6	21	25	14
Dalkey	16	4	1	11	20	35	9
St. James's G.	16	3	2	10	23	37	8
Avoca School.	17	3	4	11	14	52	8

ST. COLUMBA'S BEAT KING'S HOSPITAL

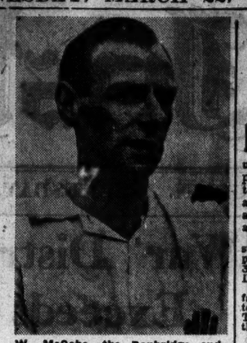
St. Columba's..... 3 King's Hospital 0

Until they scored their first goal, St. Columba's seemed likely to succumb before the speed and good positional play of the holders' forwards in the schools' senior hockey cup semi-final at Londonbridge road yesterday; but their forwards showed great improvement in the second half, and their defence performed well throughout. A Bradshaw and F. Somerville-Large formed an effective right wing for the winners and were well served by an enterprising right half in M. Austin. F. Elgas was a force at centre-half for King's Hospital, saving one certain goal from off the line with the goalkeeper out; and H. Neville was a good left back.

Bradshaw scored shortly before half-time, and Knighton-Smith added another, following good approach by Jameson, soon after the interval. Somerville-Large scored the third in the closing stages.

The winners will meet Mountjoy in the final on March 28th.

Galtrim Cup.—The match between Air Corps and Corinthians, arranged for Crumlin to-day, will not take place.



W. McCabe, the Banbridge and Ulster hockey captain.

Plans for English Post-war Cricket

COUNTY cricket in England is to be resumed at the earliest possible date after the cessation of hostilities, and the select committee, with Sir Stanley Jackson as chairman, has made a number of interesting recommendations in its report to the M.C.C. Three-day matches will again be the rule in the county championship, with Saturday and Wednesday as the starting days. All counties in the championship will play 26 matches, thus doing away with the necessity for reckoning the championship on average points per match or percentage. Each county must play every other county in the competition at least once, and no reduction in the number of counties from 1939 is contemplated, except by the desire of any particular county to withdraw. There will be no county cricket on Sundays.

A scheme is to be evolved for a knock-out competition, in addition to the normal championship, between the first-class counties. These matches will also be played over three days, and part of the funds may be devoted to overdue benefits for professionals.

SIX-BALL OVER AGAIN.

The six-ball over is to be reintroduced in first-class cricket, as it is felt that the eight-ball over, which was experimented with in the 1939 season, imposes too great a strain on the bowlers. A new ball can be called for after 55 overs; the old system was a new ball, if requested, after 200 runs had been scored. In future there will be no appeals against the light, this matter being left to the discretion of the umpires.

It is urged that fast wickets be provided in the interests of the game, and before each season counties are recommended to make it clear to their captains and players that the team shall aim for victory from the first ball of the match, and that a dynamic attitude towards the game should be adopted by players, whether batting, bowling or fielding.

If necessary, an emergency scheme for the first season is provided for, with matches arranged on a regional basis.

A prominent Irish player, who discussed the question of the duration of the over with our cricket correspondent, gave it as his opinion that the Irish Cricket Union might follow the lead of the M.C.C. and return to the six-ball over. In an afternoon match the eight-ball over saves time, as it involves less changing-over of the field, and the strain on the bowler is less acute than in a three-day match, but, on the other hand, it does favour the bowler on a turning wicket. Since batting needs more encouragement than bowling in this country, a return to the six-ball over might be a wise move.

LEINSTER G.A.A. TACTICS WON

BY PAT'O

ULSTER'S bid for three Railway Cups in a row broke down on the stonewall defence of Leinster footballers, who eel about breaking up the smooth working of the Ulster attacking machine. By close and well-planned tackling; by marking the outlying Ulster backs and anticipating the return pass; by sound fielding and long, straight kicking, they tied up the Ulster plan of campaign and broke down passing movements before they had well begun. Had Ulster's midfield pair—who got possession frequently—decided to feed the Murray-Armstrong-Maguire line by shrewd, short passes, I think Ulster would have won.

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Leinster confirmed their form against Connaught. Tho'Reilly-Quigley-Geraghty half-line played their part as spoilers most effectively; Delaney and Thornton were masters in the midfield duels in the second half, while Halpin, of Louth, was a fast and brainy pivot. So evenly balanced were Leinster that they stifled Ulster hopes and anticipating the return pass; by sound fielding and long, straight kicking, they tied up the Ulster plan of campaign and broke down passing movements before they had well begun. Had Ulster's midfield pair—who got possession frequently—decided to feed the Murray-Armstrong-Maguire line by shrewd, short passes, I think Ulster would have won.

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INTER-CLUB CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

MR. MAXWELL ARNOTT is lending his schooling ground at Clonsilla for an inter-club cross-country race next Sunday. The competitors will not have to negotiate all the fences, and Mr. Arnott has erected suitable obstacles for the occasion. He is presenting a set of medals to the winning team.

First race at Tara Harriers' point-to-point at Dalystown to-morrow is timed for 2 o'clock. A Ladies' Race is included in the programme, and an entry of fifteen has been received for this event.

Mr. Michael Hurley, Mr. M. J. Tully, had an unusual and unpleasant experience at Baldoyle on Saturday. After his mount, Picker, had come down in the Hunters' Chase Mr. Tully felt his arm a trifle sore, but made light of the injury. And joined the spectators in the stand to see the next race. There was some crushing getting down, and the injured arm became painful. On examination it transpired that, in extricating himself from the crowd, he had dislocated his shoulder.

Included among Jerry Fitzgerald's mounts at Naas next Saturday are Sandor and Rhodgs. He has been asked to ride a Southern Ireland candidate in the Irish Grand National.

GREYHOUND RACING AT HAROLD'S CROSS

525—**Favourite Lassie** (2), 9/4, 1; Mary Street (3), 7/4, 2; College Rambler (1), 4/1, 3; The Dizzy Blonde (6), 4/1, 4; Stolen Moments (4), 4/1, 5; Cold of Kilrea (5), 5/1, 6. ½; 4l. 31.00. Owner (Mr. J. Fullam).

525—**Great Sacrifice** (4), 4/5, 1; Animosus (2), 4/1, 2; Rustic Streamer (5), 3/1, 3; Forward Cut (1), 7/1, 4; Blue Hurt (6), 8/1, 5; Highland Derry (3), 7/1, 6. 3l.; 4l. 31.07. Owner (Mr. T. Gray).

500—**Twelve King** (1), 1/1, 1; Jog Yank (3), 9/2, 2; Anna Tra (4), 4/1, 3; Leo's Champion (6), 5/1, 4; Marie's Jubilee (2), 4/1, 5; Kasnadar (5), 10/1, 6. Vic.; 4l. 29.27. Purcell (Mr. B. Kelly).

525—**Queen's Midnight** (1), 3/1, 1; Roving Beggar (5), 7/1, 2; Sporting G (3), 6/4, 3; Ruby (4), 10/1, 4; Laoch (3), 5/1, 5; Caher Groves (6), 11/4, 6. 4l.; 3l. 31.07. Owner (Mr. M. Scott).

525 (Hurdles)—**Baytown Tulip** (4), 4/6, 1; Booster Generator (3), 10/1, 2; Anna's Pal (1), 5/2, 3; Main Captain (6), 5/1, 4. ½l.; 1½l. 33.00. Owner (Mr. P. Barry).

525—**Hardell** (2), 9/4, 1; Glenville Bridge (3), 7/2, 2; Portown Rover (1), 7/4, 3; Mixed Speed (5), 4/1, 4; Junior Fortune (6), 8/1, 5; Gay Ticket (4), 6/1, 6. Hd.; 1l. 31.48. J. N. Davis (Miss M. Conway).

525—**Daring Rambler** (1), 5/2, 1; Pegolina (5), 4/1, 2; Elm Green (3), 9/4, 3; Rose In a Jug (4), 10/1, 4; Smiston Valley (6), 20/1, 5; June Bird (2), 5/2, 6. 4l.; 4l. 31.05. Owner (Miss A. Barry).

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575 **Handicap Hurdle**—Prince Blackthorn (acr.), Pinwheen (acr.), Curious Cook (9 st.), Correct Sergeant (12), Big Turf Drive (15).

525 **Hurdle**—June Rum, Cuas Crom, Hawthorn Lady, Mallow Princess, Non-Commissioned.

500—Cahermore Monarch, Laburnum Beauty, Future Queen, Daly's Bridge, Away Buddy, Dunterry, Mark's Road.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

To-day.—Mid-Antrim, Agrohill, 12.30 p.m.; Bray, Kilternan, 2.30 p.m.; Co. Limerick, Villmallock, 11.30 a.m.; Naas, Dunasey Cross-roads.

To-morrow.—North Mayo, Point-to-Point Races; Killultagh, Old Rock and Chichester, Dundesert Bridge, 12 noon; Ireland, Point-to-Point Races, Kilmurray; Queen's Co., Ironmille, 11.30 a.m.; Tara, Point-to-Point, Dalystown.

Mr. Sydney Russell has arranged a concert of Mozart music in the Gate Theatre on Sunday. "Bastien and Bastienne," which was composed when Mozart was twelve, is included in the programme, and the singers will include Rita Lynch, Joseph Flood, Richard Mason.

TO-DAY'S SPORTING FIXTURES

Rugby.—Bective Rangers v. Clontarf, Donnybrook, 5.0.

Hockey.—Galtrim Cup—Monkstown v. Railway Union, Royal Terrace, 4.0. Banks' Cup—Bank of Ireland v. National Bank, Londonbridge road, 4.45.

Women's Hockey.—Schools' Cup finals (at Claremont road), Junior—Wesley College v. St. Mary's. (Haddington road), 3.30. Senior—Glengara v. Masonic, 4.30.

Soccer.—Army final—No. 2 Group, Eastern Command v. 5th Brigade, Dalymount Park, 3.0.

Point-to-Point.—Avondhu Foxhounds.

Tennis.—Dublin and District League Individual Championships, O'Connell Hall.

Greyhound Racing.—Shelbourne Park, 7.45.

Greyhound Sale.—Messrs. Goff's, at Harold's Cross, 1.0.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Clontarf.—St. Patrick's Cup—Qualified—Class I: C. Garvey 11, 69; F. J. Quinn 7, 71; C. A. Heron 11, 72; Jos. O'Reilly plus 2, 72 best gross; V. Clarke 11, 72; J. O'Doherty, 9, 72; D. F. Staunton, 9, 72; B. Cauldwell, 7, 73 (on 2nd nine). Class II: G. Malone 18, 66, best nett; L. G. Murphy 18, 68, second best net; J. Fay 18 69; W. Maguire 16, 72; T. P. Smith 14, 73; J. D'Arcy 11, 73; G. Connolly 17, 74 (on 2nd nine); J. Cleary 14, 74 (on 2nd nine). Draw for match play—Garvey, D'Arcy; Staunton, Connolly; O'Doherty, Maguire; Quinn, Smith; Clarke, Murphy; Heron, Malone; O'Reilly, Fay; Cauldwell, Cleary.

Elm Park. — Saturday — Foursomes Q.R., strokes.

Galway.—St. Patrick's Day—W. A. F. Sandys (12) v. D. Curran (13), 7 up; A. Roche (10) v. D. Curran (13), 6 up. Open Cup—Miss M. Dempsey 88, 77 net; Mrs. M. Walsh (36), 78.

Kilkenny.—O'Callaghan Cup (18 holes, medal)—McCurtain (Kilkenny) (18), 68; C. O'Meara (Kilkenny) (18), 71; F. J. Murphy (Kilkenny) (12), 74; Dr. M. Sandys (Ballinakill) (7), 75. Purball (bogey)—Dr. J. Whelan and Dr. J. I. O'Sullivan (Kilkenny), 3 up and 2 up. Cranitch (Kilkenny), tied, 1 up; T. Mangan and M. Richie (Dooks), beat O'Reilly and J. Mangan (Dooks), B. Harte and J. Moriarty (Kilkenny), all 3 up. Kilkeen Cup—Dr. J. I. O'Sullivan, qualified in Class I, 84 (9), 75; M. Kelliher (Tralee) qualified in Class II, 92 (16), 76. Match play decider over 18 holes won by M. Kelliher, 3 and 1.

Hermitage.—Saturday Cup, final—The following have qualified:—S. M. Dalton, G. Conroy, S. Duggan, J. Kennedy, P. A. Curran, M. Tierney, J. J. Toner, J. J. Doyle, J. F. Bridgeman, D. Morris, Jos. Begg, T. J. Morris, J. Draffan, J. Connolly, J. J. Brady, W. Treanor, M. C. Doyle. Arrange own time and opponents.

Soldiers for Trial

Private Martin O'Toole and Private Michael J. McCarthy, Defence Forces, were returned for trial yesterday in Dublin by District Justice Mangan, on the charge of breaking three plate glass windows in the premises of Messrs. Clery and Co., O'Connell street, Dublin.

Ena Grossmith, the actress, last survivor on the contemporary stage of the family of George Grossmith, has died in hospital in London, aged 47.

Alleged Sale of Turf Briquettes

Allegations that turf briquettes, released by the Minister for Supplies for free distribution to the necessitous poor, were being sold to Dublin families were made by Mr. James Larkin, senior (Lab., Dublin), in the Dail yesterday.

Mr. LARKIN produced a card, bought for 2s., which, he said, entitled the recipient to obtain a bag of briquettes, and asked if the Minister had authorised any charitable organisation to sell them.

Mr. LEMASS said that the only sale of Lullymore factory peat briquettes was through licensed fuel merchants to charitable organisations for free distribution to necessitous poor. A total of 4,143 tons had been purchased by charitable organisations, which undertook to deliver them free to the poor.

Mr. LARKIN—If I can give you certain information, will you act upon it?

Mr. LEMASS—I should be very glad to get it.

Mr. LEMASS added that since May 26, 1941, the entire output of the Lullymore factory had been taken by Fuel Importers (Eire), Ltd., with the exception of a small quantity of broken briquettes disposed of locally. In addition, a limited quantity had been made available to the Great Southern Railways, and the Emergency Scientific Research Bureau for experimental purposes. The briquettes purchased by Fuel Importers were being held as part of the fuel reserve.

BICYCLE TYRES

The maximum quantity of rubber consistent with the maintenance of essential transport services has been allocated for the production of bicycle tyres in Eire, Mr. Lemass stated, when he declined to instruct cycle tyre retailers to give preference to turf workers.

Mr. J. P. Pattison (Nat. Lab.) and Mr. P. J. Fogarty (F.F.) that the Government do not propose to introduce legislation to provide a free half-day for agricultural and dairy workers. Having regard to the conditions under which farm work is carried on, the Government do not propose to bring agricultural workers within the scope of the Holidays (Employees') Act, 1939.

Mr. MacENTEE (old Mr. A. Byrne, jun. (Ind.), that he understood the Commissioners for the Dublin Board of Assistance were investigating further the question of providing a dispensary and child welfare centre in the Larkhill-Ellenfield district, Drumcondra.

MARRIAGE ALLOWANCES

Provided that they are not separated from their husbands for reasons other than the exigencies of Army service, wives of all soldiers on the Regular Establishment receive marriage allowances irrespective of their places of residence, Mr. G. TRAYNOR (Minister for Defence) told Mr. Larkin (Lab.) that, if a soldier had been resident in Great Britain and left his home in that country to enlist in the Defence Forces, marriage allowance was paid to his wife, even if she continued to residence in Great Britain.

Three Dogs Died

Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, in the High Court, Dublin, yesterday, deciding on the facts, allowed, with costs, an appeal of Dublin County Council from a Circuit Court award of £80, with costs, to Mr. Duncan Parker, Talavera, Baldoyle, in his malicious injury claim for the loss of three pedigree cocker spaniel bitches that had been poisoned by strychnine.

Mr. G. D. Murnaghan, S.C., who, with Mr. W. G. Fallon (instructed by Messrs. T. Early and Son), appeared for the County Council, raised the legal issue that dogs were not covered by the Malicious Damage Act, 1861.

Mr. R. Cherry (instructed by Messrs. Margetson and Greene), for Mr. Parker, said that, it never previously had been decided that compensation could be recovered under the malicious injury code for the death of a dog, and could be explained, he suggested, only by the outlook when the Act was passed, that a dog was of little value, and because the high prices that now ruled for dogs then were unknown.

Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy said that if he had had to decide the matter on the legal issue he would have reserved judgment.

Kidnapping Charge

A submission that it would have been impossible for the three accused men to have been at the scene of the alleged kidnapping at the time it occurred was made by Mr. D. Bell on behalf of Henry Kilcullen and Charles Brown, both of no fixed address, and Andrew Ellis, Gardiner's place, Dublin, who appeared again before the Special Criminal Court yesterday on charges of wounding and unlawfully imprisoning Patrick Byrne, and being in possession of firearms with intent to endanger life and without a certificate.

They are also charged with breaking into two premises and stealing a motor van, two gallons of petrol and a quantity of assorted goods. The Court gave a direction on two charges of possession of firearms and on two in respect of malicious wounding.

£1,000 Offer Accepted

Mr. Justice Overend, in the High Court yesterday, made an order directing that an offer of £1,000 for the purchase of the partnership business between Mrs. Madeline Sampson and Mr. Michael Raymond Nealon, Carleon, Killiney, be accepted.

Mr. E. S. Robinson (instructed by Messrs. Hayes and Sons), on behalf of Mr. A. H. Coall, Dun Laoghaire, receiver and manager in the matter, said that offers were invited, and the only one received was £1,000 from Mr. Nealon.

Mr. J. J. L. Devlin (instructed by Mr. P. C. L. Halfpenny), appeared for Mrs. Sampson.

Pay Office Eatered

Alexander Bowman (37), electrician, no fixed address, at Dublin Circuit Criminal Court yesterday, was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour, on charges of breaking and entering the pay office of the Great Southern Railway Company at Inchicore, on January 9 last, and of conspiring with William Wakefield and Thomas Sharkey to commit a felony.

Detective-Sergeant J. Moran said that Bowman's real name was Alexander Cheese. The authorities had a number of complaints about him.

Your best protection against Burglary, Housebreaking and Larceny is an Insurance Policy with the Norwich Union.—J. G. Aston, Mgr., 53 Dawson street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

LEGAL DIARY

HILARY SITTINGS—Wednesday.

THE HIGH COURT.—In Court 6. Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, 11, Summons—Moloney and anor. v. Porticous and ors. Non-Jury Actions. In Court 2. Mr. Justice Maguire, 11.—Cochrane v. Kirke and O'Sullivan v. Gibney.

THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT, 11. Motions of Course. Summonses, Bankruptcy.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT.—At Green Street Courthouse, Dublin, 11.—Jurors Nos. 301 to 450 must attend.

CIRCUIT COURT OF JUSTICE—Before Judge Davitt, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, 11. Motion—Dillon v. Cerless (Workmen's Compensation Act); Car-Pur Finance v. Duffy, Garnishee—Garland v. Cullen. Equity Suit—County Dublin Co. Council v. Donnelly, Elections.

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Fresh Rise in Rails And Guinness

MARKETS on the Dublin Stock Exchange made a quiet showing yesterday, and, as usual, the bulk of attention was paid to Irish securities, where the tone was steady to firm. Chief attention centred in Home Rails, and good buying put prices higher all round.

Great Northern Ord. was strongly supported, and sharply advanced 1¼ points to 21½. The Pref. opened dull at 57, but later recovered to 59, and the Deb. held 84.

Great Southern issues were also favoured. The Ord. started five points to 50½, and the Pref. improved to 50. The Guar. advanced a point to 67, but the Deb. shaded off to 89½.

There was fresh buying of Guinness units, and they closed 1/- higher at 128/-. The Pref. hardened to 15½. Dublin Transport Ord. rose to 25/8, but Alliance Gas Ord. dipped to 20/10½. Second National Loan and 4½ p.c. Land Bonds marked fractional losses, but Security Loan recovered to 105½. Corporation issues held steady, and in Banks Nationals rose to 49/-.

Batchelor (Ireland) Ord. and Cement Ord. shaded off to 11/9 and 43/- respectively, but Dublin South City Markets Ord. made good headway to 94. Abbey Clothing Pref. firmed up to 21/-. Irish Sugar Pref. to 27/9 and Irish Tanners Ord. to 12/6. Williams and Woods Ord. lended higher to 33/6, but Assoc. Chocolate Debs. slipped back to 21/-.

B.A.T. Ord. and Imperial Tobacco Ord. showed no change, and Imperial Chemical Ord. hardened to 38/6. Lever 7 p.c. Pref. eased to 33/44, and Vickers Ord. to 18/3

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS — 5 p.c. Second National Loan (114⅞). *114⅜; 4½ p.c. Third Loan (under £200) (110⅛), 110⅜; 4 p.c. Conversion Loan (Deed), *110⅛; 3½ p.c. Financial Agreement (108¼), 108¾; do. (under £200) (108⅜), 108¾; 3 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (under £200) (105⅜), 106⅜; 3½ p.c. National Security (105), 105¼; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (115⅜), 115⅝. 4½; do. (under £200) (116⅛), 115⅝; 3½ p.c. War Loan (104¼), 104¼. ¼; do. (under £200) (104⅜); 104⅛; do. Belfast, 104¼. Do. 4 p.c. Def., 88½; 4 p.c. Def., 77/0; 3½ p.c. Def., 59/0; 3 p.c. Def., 39/0; 2½ p.c. Def., 29/0. Another £16 at 127/6.

CORPORATION STOCKS — Dublin Port and Docks 3¼ p.c. (93½), *93⅛; Limerick 3½ p.c. (100), 100.

BANKS—National (48/9), 49/-.

BREWERIES—Guinness Ord. (127/-), 127/-. *8/-; do. Pref. (15⅝), 15 11/16.

SHIPPING—Grand Canal Ord. (110/-), 110/-.

RAILS, ETC.—Great Northern Ord. (19¾), 20, 20¼, 1, 1¼; do. Pref. (38), 37, 8; do. Deb. (84), 84; Great Southern Ord. (48½), 50½; do. Pref. (49½), 50, *49; do. Guar. (66), *66¼, *7; do. Deb. (89¾), 89⅝, ⅝; Dublin Transport Ord. (25/1½), 25/3; do. Pref. (25/3), 25/3, 5/3.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS—Alliance Gas Ord. (21/-), 20/10½; Abbey Clothing Pref. (20/6), 21/-; Assoc. Chocolate Deb. (21/3), 21/0¾, 1/-; Batchelor Ord. (12/-). 11/9; Cement Ord. (43/6), 43/-; Cork Gas Ord., 6¾; Clondalkin Paper Ord. (6/7½), 6/7½; Dublin (8.) City Markets Ord. (8/-), *9½; Irish C.S. Buildings (70), *70; Irish Sugar Pref. (27/6), 27/9; Irish Tanners Pref. (12/3), 12/6; Parkes (J.) Deb. (24/1½), *24/-; Sunbeam Wolsey Pref. (36/-), 36/-; Williams and Woods Ord. (32/-), 32/6; Woodington Pref. (19/6), 19/6.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS — B.A.T. (112/9), 112/9; Dunlop Rubber Pref., 33/6; Imperial Chemical (38/4½), 38/6; Imperial Tobacco Ord. (157/6), 157/6; Lever 7 p.c. Pref. (33/6), *35/3, 3/4½; Steaua Romana, 6/3; Vickers (18/4½), *18/3.

INDUSTRIALS (Contd.)

Austin (5/-)...	25/9	Stewart & L.	54/6
Assoc. Cement	63/0	Sudan Plante.	44/6*
Bandon (Ltd.)	59/0	Thomas (R.)	9/9 −0/1½
Brown (J.)....	26/8 +0/8	Tob. Secs. T.	74/4*
B.S.A.	23/6	Tate & Lyle..	67/6
Bleaching Co.	9/9	Triplex	37/0
Brad. Dyers....	21/6	Tube	96/0
Brax. Trac....	27½ +1½	Turner & N.	80/10½ +0/8
Brit. Celanese.	27 4½ −0/9	United Steel..	24/0 −0/3
Brit. Match....	41/8	United Southern	33/0
B.A. Tobacco..	112/6	Utd. Molasses	32 4½ −0/1½
Beechams Def.	17/0	Vickers	18/7½*
Hooks Drug....	52/0	Wall Paper Df.	38/8
Brit. Alum....	47/0*	White Tomkin	44/0
Brit. Oxygen...	80/6	Watney Def..	79/9
Brit. Plastr. Ld	30/0	Woolworth	60/1½ +0/1½
Br. P. Cement..	82/6		
Bass.....	168/0	**MINES.**	
Brit Insulated	106/9	Ang. Am. Inv.	63/0
Coast Lines..	19/0	Ashanti	99/0
Cab. & W. Ord.	81½ −½	Bibiani	26/9
Calico Print...	15/6	Blyvoor	83/9
Coats.....	49/0 +0/1½	Brakpan	22/6
Cory. Wm.....	93/9	Chartered	25 4½ −0/1½
Clan Line.....	4¾	Cons. Diam'd	40/0 −0/8
Courtaulds....	52/6	Cons. G.F. ...	53/9
Carreras B....	17/9 −0/1½	Crown	7½
Dan. & Nun....	82/6	Daggafontein	42/6
Dorman Ltd....	29/3	De Beers	13¼ −½
Dunlop.....	40/10½ −0/3	East Dagga..	44/3
Distillers.....	69/0 −0/3	East Geduld..	8¾
Elec. Mus.....	28/10½	E. Rand Prop.	8/3
English Cotton	34 4½	Geduld	9 +½
Ever Ready...	39/0	Govt. Areas..	38/0
Ford	39/6	J'burg Cons..	59 4½
Fine Spinners..	22/0	Langlaagte ..	8/6
Gallaher.....	6¾ −1½	Libanon	18/6
Guinness.....	127/6 +1/6	Luipaards....	18/9
Gen. Elec.....	92/6	Malayala	29/6
Harrods.....	53/0 −0/6	Nigel Gold...	51/3
Hudson's Bay..	62/6	Roan	9/6
Imp. Tanker Ord.	107 7½	Rhod Ang. A.	16/6
Harland & W...	14/6	Rhodesian Sel	12/0
Imp. Tobacco..	77½	Rhokana	6¼ −½
Do. Pat. Def	39/0	Rio Tinto	13½
Anglo-Dutch ..	36¾	Simmer & J.	7/6
Anglo-Malay ..	6/7	Springs	16/10½ −0/7½
Highlands	17/0	S.A. Land	72/6
Kuala Lumpur	15/0	Venterspost ..	30/6
Malacca	12/0	Vereeniging ..	33/9
Malayalam	34/3	Victoria Falls	35/0
Rubber Trust .	17/9	Vlakfontein ..	28 1½
U. Sua Belting	28/9	Vogel's Def..	24/3
Utd. Serdang .	1 7½	West Holding	35/0 −0/7½
		West Reefs ..	25/0 −0/7½
		West Springs	25/0
		West Wits ..	91¼ −⅛
		Wit Nigel ..	9/9

* Ex Dividend. ‡ Ex Bonus. † Ex Rights.

Alex. Thom Profits Up

A trading profit of £14,338, including transfer fees and revenue from investments, is shown in the report of Alexander Thom and Co., Ltd., for the year ended January 31st, 1944. This compares with £12,538 for the previous year. Directors' fees take £500 (same), and Debenture interest £3,105 (same), leaving a net profit of £10,733 (against £8,933).

Dividend on the Ord. stock of 4 per cent., making 7½ per cent. for the year (same). Transfer to general reserve is increased from £2,000 to £3,000, and the carry forward is up from £10,480 to £12,004.

The meeting will be held on March 29th, at 3p.m.

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Nightly 7.30. Matinée Saturday, 2.30.
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At 7.30 p.m.—"THE PLOUGH AND THE STARS," by Sean O'Casey (2nd Week). Latecomers not admitted until end of First Act.

AMHARCLANN NA MAINSTREACH.
At 7.30 p.m.
DIA DOMHNAIGH agus DIA LUAIN 26-27/3/'44
An chead leiriu de SEIANA
Drama tri-ghniomh le Peadar O hAnnrachain
Is feidir suidheachain do chur in airithe o'n a 10.30 a.m. go dti a 6 p.m.

GATE EDWARDS—MacLIAMMOIR
At 7.30 p.m.
MacLiammoir—Chancellor in
"JANE EYRE."
Booking, 10.30-7. Mat. Sat. 2.30.

QUEEN'S Stage Show at 4.10, 7.30
Screen 2.30, 5.50, 9.10.
ANOTHER GRAND NEW SHOW
LIFFEY LIGHTS, No. 2.
NOEL PURCELL, PEGGY DELL, HARVEY and CUMMINS and Star Cast.
Film: JEAN ARTHUR in
"THE MORE THE MERRIER."

METROPOLE 2.30, 4.50, 7 o'c., 9.10.
Monty Woolley, Gracie Fields, Laird Cregar, in
"HOLY MATRIMONY."
FRIDAY NEXT—A MOTION PICTURE NO HUMAN WORDS CAN DESCRIBE:
"THE SONG OF BERNADETTE."
With JENNIFER JONES.
(Winner of the Academy Award).
TWICE DAILY 2.30 and 7.30.
PRICES: 2/6, 3/9 5/6, 8/6.
Seats available at all prices.
Booking Office open daily, 11—6.

THEATRE DE LUXE.
JAMES CAGNEY—GEORGE RAFT,
"EACH DAWN I DIE."
3.59, 6.27, 8.55.

ASTORIA At 3.34, 6.24, 9.14.
Bob Hope, Madeleine Carroll in
"MY FAVOURITE BLONDE."
Also Basil Rathbone, Boris Karloff in
"TOWER OF LONDON"—4.50, 7.40.

PUBLIC NOTICES

ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES.

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Royal Hospital for Incurables was held at the Hospital on Tuesday morning, 21st inst., Sir Walter H. Boyd, Bart., K.B., Chairman, presiding. There were 378 Governors present at this meeting.
The proceedings of the last meeting of the Board were read, confirmed, and signed.
Payments reported, and the following were unanimously elected Life Governors:—Mrs. Desmond Collins, £21; Wm. J. Walsh, Esq., £21; Miss Lewis, £21; Edwin M. Sedgwick, Esq. (per Hon. Treasurer), £21; Toublinson Pratt (per Messrs. Wm. Fry and Sons), £127 5/-, qualifying Charles R. Magrath, Esq.; Miss Blanche E. Magrath, Miss Elizabeth Orr, James M. H. Russell, Esq., A.C.A.; Mrs. John Russell, Miss Dorothy H. McKeever.
The election of patients was then proceeded with; 13 names appeared on the printed list, and the following, having obtained the highest number of votes, were declared duly elected patients:—Edith M. Doe, Martha Connolly, Frances S. M. Mulvihill, Marie R. Corner, Gertrude Rice, Catherine Duffy, Mary E. McCabe, Christina Cafferty, Edith Nugent, Violet M. Bibby, Teresa Dolan.
The sum of £21 qualifies for Life Governorship and a donation of £5 5s. for Annual Governorship.
Contributions (however small) will be gratefully received by Alfred G. Hollinshead, Esq., Hon. Treasurer), or by the Registrar at the Hospital.

PURCHASE OF FIREWOOD LOGS.
The Dublin Port and Docks Board is prepared to receive tenders for the supply and delivery of 500 tons of Firewood Logs.
Logs shall not be less than 3 inches in length and 8 inches maximum diameter, and must be of any timber except Elm, Poplar, or Willow, none of which will be accepted.
Delivery may be by Road, Rail, or Canal to the Board's premises at the Cross Berth, Alexandra Basin, North Wall.
Sealed tenders, which must be on the Form of Tender, obtainable on application to the Engineer's Office, Dublin Port and Docks Board, Fast Wall, Dublin, should be addressed to The Secretary, Dublin Port and Docks Board, 19 Westmoreland Street, Dublin, to reach him not later than Wednesday, 12th April, 1944. Tenders must be endorsed on the outside "Tender for Firewood."
The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
By Order,
R. P. LOWE, Secretary.
Port and Docks Office, Dublin.
22nd March, 1944.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD.
VACANCIES FOR CLERICAL OFFICERS (MALE).
With a view to the filling of such vacancies on its clerical staff as may arise during the period ending 31st December, 1944, the Electricity Supply Board invites applications from candidates holding the Honours Leaving Certificate of the Department of Education (Secondary Branch), whose age did not exceed nineteen years on 1st January, 1944.
The more highly placed candidates will be required to attend for interview at the Board's Head Office in Dublin at their own expense, and selection will be subject to medical examination and to the production of satisfactory evidence of character.
Applications, in candidates' own handwriting, to reach the undersigned not later than the 11th April, 1944, should state Leaving Certificate examination number and year of examination. Applicants are requested to note that no special form of application is required, and that the production of the Honours Certificate or proof of age is not necessary at this stage.
PATRICK J. DEMPSEY, Secretary.
Electricity Supply Board, 80-82 Upper Mount street, Dublin.

THE MISSION TO LEPERS.
A SALE OF WORK
WILL BE HELD (D.V.) IN
THE H.C.M.S. HALL,
35 MOLESWORTH STREET,
ON WEDNESDAY, 29th MARCH,
From 11 o'clock.
FORMAL OPENING
at 3 p.m.,
BY LADY MONTGOMERY.
Chairman—
T. O. GRAHAM, Esq., M.C., F.R.C.S.I.
LUNCHES AND TEAS.

EVERY EGG HELPS.
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MARCH 20th-MARCH 27th.
Eggs are plentiful now.
Please remember us with any number, Large or small.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.
ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.
A PUBLIC LECTURE
WILL BE HELD ON TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), 22nd MARCH, 1944, at 7.30 p.m., at the Physics Lecture Theatre, when Professor S. P. O'Riordain will deliver a lecture on LOUGH GUR.
The Lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides.

PATENTS.
NO. 13181—IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO COLLARS FOR PERSONAL WEAR.
THE Proprietors of the above Patent desire to enter into arrangements, by way of Licence or otherwise, for the exploitation of the Invention in this country.
Apply—
TOMKINS & CO., Patent and Trade Mark Agents, Notaries Building, 94 Grafton Street, Dublin.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Harcourt Street, Dublin.
Applications are invited for the position of HOUSE SURGEON (Male or Female) to the above Hospital for six months from 1st April, 1944. Apply, with copies of testimonials to the Registrar, on or before the 27th March, 1944.

A SERVICE OF HEALING
is held EVERY WEDNESDAY at 5 p.m.
IN THE MAGDALEN CHURCH,
Lower Leeson Street, Dublin.
FOR OTHER PUBLIC NOTICE SEE PAGE 4.

LEGAL NOTICES.
NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUEST.
CAROLINE GEORGINA ALSTON, late of Richmond Private Hotel, Billwood Place Brighton, in the County of Sussex England, Widow, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, that the above-named Caroline Georgina Alston, by her Will dated 16th January, 1937, bequeathed, subject to the life interest of the person therein mentioned, the residuary estate of a trust fund which shall represent her residuary estate to the Blind Asylum, Leeson Park, Dublin, Ireland absolutely.
Testatrix died on the 13th of March, 1943, and Probate of her Will was granted on the 25th of November, 1943, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Eire, by Richard Thorp Alston, of Bank of Ireland House, Arklow, Co. Wicklow, and Hilda Alston, of Arnold House, Mountpelier Terrace, Brighton, England, the executors appointed by her Will.
Dated the 20th day of March, 1944.
W. & R. BARRETT, Solicitor for the Executors, 15 South Frederick street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all whom it may concern.

ROYAL Film at 3.0, 5.5, 9.10. Show at 4.50, 7.55.
He's great, and this is his greatest.
JAMES CAGNEY
In his Latest Triumph since "YANKEE DOODLE DANDY."
"JOHNNY VAGABOND."
Tenth Star-Studded Edition.
"ROYAL SALUTE." with Jack Cruise : Eddie Byrne : Jean Tonge.

REGAL ROOMS CINEMA. At 2.0, 4.10, 6.20, 8.30.
The Film Sensation of the Age.
James Mason Margaret Lockwood in
"THE MAN IN GREY."

SAVOY At 2.37, 4.51, 7.5, 9.16.
DON AMECHE in "HAPPY LAND."
Friday Next: MARGARET O'BRIEN in
"LOST ANGEL."

CAPITOL DAILY, 2.30 to 10.45.
ROBERT : FRANCES : LEON
PAIGE : LANGFORD : ERROL
In the Hilarious Musical,
"COWBOY IN MANHATTAN,"
Showing at 4.16, 7.1, 9.46.
Also the Hal Roach Streamliner,
"TAXI, MISTER."
William Bendix and Grace Bradley.
Showing at 2.30, 5.15, 8 o'c.
ON THE STAGE, AT 3.16, 6.1, 8.46,
"PARISIENNE MELODY."
Boy Croft, Laura Macari, Mike Nolan, Jack Nordell, Johnny Keyes, Capitol Girls, THE CAPITOL ORCHESTRA.

CAPITOL SUNDAY NEXT, AT 3.15 P.M.
DUBLIN ORATORIO SOCIETY, in
"ELIJAH" (MENDELSSOHN)
Soloists: Mabel Thrift, William F. Watt, Kathleen Uhlemann, Hooton Mitchell.
Leader: Nora Kiernan.
Conductor: Turner Huggard.
PRICES: 4/-, 3/-, 2/-, 1/-. BOOK NOW.

ASTOR DAILY FROM 2 P.M.
EUROPEAN PREMIERE OF SUPERB MUSICAL BASED ON THE LIFE OF THE IMMORTAL COMPOSER.
VINCENZO BELLINI,
"CASTA DIVA."
"THE DIVINE SPARK."
At 2.30, 4.40, 6.50, 9.0.
Starring MARTA EGGERTH.
English Sub-Titles.

ADELPHI Times of Showing: 2.38,4.46,6.54,9.02.
One of the most beautiful and heart-warming stories of the year!
"LASSIE COME HOME"
(In Technicolour), with
RODDY McDOWALL, DONALD CRISP.

CARLTON At 2.25, 4.40, 6.55 9.10.
CONRAD VEIDT,
Raymond Massey and Annabella in
'UNDER THE RED ROBE.'

GRAFTON Continuous 2 to 10.30.
2.10, 4.25, 6.40, 9.0.
NINO MARTINI,
LEO CARRILLO — IDA LUPINO in
'THE GAY DESPERADO.'

PAVILION DUN LAOGHAIRE.
TYRONE POWER, ANNE BAXTER in
"CRASH DIVE."
IN TECHNICOLOR.

REGENT CINEMA. BLACKROCK.
Betty Grable, Victor Mature, Jack Oakie:
"SONG OF THE ISLANDS."
Also
"THRU DIFFERENT EYES."
Thursday—Mickey Rooney in "Human Comedy."

CORINTHIAN At 3.13, 5.20, 7.27, 9.34.
Leon Errol and Harriet Hilliard:
"GALS INCORPORATED."
Johnny McBrown and Tex Ritter:
"CHEYENNE ROUND-UP."

GREEN—3.30, 6.15, 9.0.
DIETRICH—SCOTT, "THE SPOILERS." Also WM. GARGAN, "BOMBAY CLIPPER." & Ep. 1 Serial, "JUNIOR G. MEN."

GRAND CENTRAL
Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon.
"BLOSSOMS IN THE DUST."
2.30, 4.40, 6.50, 9 o'c.
MATINEE PRICES TO 5 P.M.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

EMERGENCY POWERS (NO. 260) ORDER, 1943.
ADVISORY TRIBUNALS.
Sittings of Advisory Tribunals, established under the above Order, will be held at the undermentioned venues to consider applications for WAGES (Standard Rate) and/or BONUS ORDERS in respect of certain employees in the Trades or otherwise as follows:—
(a) LIMERICK — IN CRUISE'S HOTEL, O'CONNELL STREET.
Thursday, 23rd March, at 10.30 a.m. GROCERY and PROVISION TRADE (Porters, Packers, Horse Carters and Motormen) in LIMERICK.
(b) DUBLIN—IN DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, KILDARE STREET.
Monday, 27th March, 1944, at 2.30 p.m.
BUILDING TRADE (Slaters and Tilers) in the districts of WICKLOW and ARKLOW.
Tuesday, 28th March, at 10.30 a.m. FARRIERS employed by MASTER FARRIERS in the County Borough of DUBLIN and the Borough of DUN LAOGHAIRE.
Interested parties are invited to attend and submit evidence.
Department of Industry and Commerce. W270. W.E.Co.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION POSITIONS VACANT.
Application forms for and particulars of the under-mentioned posts may be obtained from the Secretary of the Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.
1. SECRETARY TO THE KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL: SALARY SCALE: £600-£20-£700 a year. Age Limits: 30-45 years on 1st February, 1944. The upper age limit will not apply in the case of pensionable officers of local authorities.
2. TOWN SURVEYOR (PART-TIME) CASTLEBAR AND WESTPORT URBAN DISTRICTS, CO. MAYO. Salary: £200 a year with fees. Age limits: 21-45 years on 1st March, 1944.
3. TOWN SURVEYOR (PART-TIME) TRIM, CO. MEATH. Salary: £40 a year with fees. Age limits: 21-45 years on 1st March, 1944.
4. DEPUTY HEAD NIGHT NURSE, GRANGEGORMAN MENTAL HOSPITAL, DUBLIN. Salary: £155 4/- a year, with allowances. Minimum age limit: 30 years on 1st March, 1944.
LATEST TIME FOR RECEIVING COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS: 5.15 P.M. ON 12th APRIL, 1944.
W 270. W.E.Co.

FOR OTHER GOVERNMENT NOTICE SEE PAGE 2.

BOARDING AND HOTELS
GLENEALY Hotel, Co. Wicklow—Booking for Easter. Own farm produce, cream, butter, eggs. Electric light, log fires. Station and bus 3 mins. Phone Glenealy 4. X
MARINO Hotel, Spanish Point, Co. Clare. Booking for Easter and season.

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

NEWS at 1.40, 6.45 and 10.25 p.m.
1.0 p.m.—Concert. 1.45-2.30—Concert (continued). 6.0—"O'n gCluid" le Michael O Maolain. 6.15—"Clasicasdail na nOg" "a Stiuru ag Pilib O Laoghaire. 6.30—Our Islands, by Fedelma Donnelly. 6.40—Announcements. 7.5—"Is Your Irish Rusty?" 7.20—Sean Browne (accordeon). 7.30—"Information Please. 8.10—Radio Orchestra. 8.45—"Random Rhymes," by R. Farrell, spoken by Joe Linnane. 9.0—"Concert Tour from Waterford. 10.10—An Taoiseach speaks on "Food and Fuel Production." 10.40—Ceilidhe Band.

B.B.C. PROGRAMMES

HOME SERVICE.
NEWS at 7 and 8 a.m.; 1, 6 and 9 p.m. and 12 midnight.
7.15—"Daily Dozen." 7.30—Smetana Quartet in E minor. 7.55—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" 8.15—Kitchen Front. 8.20—"At the Ballet." 9.0—Marching and Waltzing. 9.45—Organ. 10.5—Schools. 10.15—Service. 10.30—Orchestral Music 11.0 — Schools. 12.0 Theatre Orchestra. 12.30 "Works Wonders. 1.15—Records. 1.20—Organ Music. 1.50—Schools. 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—Scottish Orchestra. 4.0—Billy Cotton and his Band. 4.45—"Love Poems of Two Hundred Years Ago." 5.0—News and Discussion in Welsh. 5.20 Children's Hour. 6.30—"Command Performance." 7.0—Symphony Concert. 7.50—"Can I Help You?" 8.5—Symphony Concert. 9.25—"The Silent Battle." 9.55—"It's Just About Time." 10.30—"You Never Know," Story by Hilton Brown. 10.45—Scots Songs. 11.5—Billy Ternent.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE.
NEWS at 7 a.m., 12 noon, 2, 4, 7 and 9.45 p.m.
NEWS HEADLINES at 8 and 11 a.m., 1, 2.59, 9 and 10.59 p.m.
8.30—Records. 7.15—Orchestra. 7.30 —Music by British Composers. 8.15—"Starlight." Flotsam and Jetsam. 8.30—"Melody Mixture." 9.0—"Foundations of Brass." 9.30—Dance Music. 10.0—Songs and Piano Music. 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.2—From To-day's Papers. 11.10—Service. 11.15 —Variety Band-box." 12.15—Northern Orchestra. 1.1—Dance Orchestra. 1.30—"Home Flash." 2.10—"Thank You for Your Letters." 2.15—Fred Hartley and his Music. 2.30—Radio Newsreel. 2.45 Favourite Records. 3.20 — B.B.C. Orchestra. 3.50—War Review. 4.15—London Studio Players. 5.0—B.B.C. Orchestra. 5.30—Favourite Records. 6.15—"Bandstand." 7.15—Sportsmen's Corner. 7.30—B.B.C. Dancing Club. 8.15—Ice Hockey. 8.30—"Radio Post." 9.1—"Forces Prom." 9.55—News from Canada. 10.0—Scottish Half-Hour. 10.30 —Music While You Work.

THE SUN	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	7.24	7.22
Sets	7.42	7.43
Lighting-up Time	8.12	8.13

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	10.36	11.25
Evening	11.15	—

The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1944.

Progress in Italy

What can be happening in Italy? People have grown so much accustomed to the kaleidoscopic changes on the Russian front, with their daily, even hourly, advances and retreats over long distances, that they find the almost static condition of affairs in Italy hard to understand. Of course, conditions in Italy are totally different from those in Russia. There is no comparison, for example, between the two terrains. Neither side on the Italian front is able to make much use of tanks or other armoured vehicles; and the military situation in the peninsula is approximating fairly closely to that which existed in parts of France and Flanders during the last war. The Allies started off with a great flourish of trumpets. After the temporary set-back at Salerno, their progress was reasonably swift, until they came up against Marshal von Kesselring's main forces in the Cassino area. Here, during recent weeks, there has been fighting so bitter and intense that it is almost reminiscent of Verdun. The British and Americans gave the town a terrific hammering, first from the ground, using big howitzers with a formidable mass of artillery, and afterwards from the air, in a series of raids which were described as "the greatest ever." Evidently Cassino was reduced to a mass of rubble; but, although they must have suffered heavy losses, the Germans were not dislodged. Indeed, British and American commentators are inclined to think that the destruction of Cassino as a town proved, in the event, to be a handicap, rather than an advantage, to the attacking troops, since it gave the Germans an opportunity to establish a series of unrecognisable pill-boxes and other defensive strongholds among the ruins of the shattered buildings. The position at the moment is almost fantastic. One reads of tanks operating in what once was the foyer of the Continental Hotel. Germans and Allies alike are living in holes in the ground; and both sides admit freely that casualties are distressingly high. The Americans, with their genius for a pungent phrase, describe the progress of the last few months as "inching forward." It is almost literally true to say that the Allied advance is measured in inches rather than in miles. Manifestly, the German High Command attaches much importance to the maintenance of the present lines of defence across Italy. Marshal von Kesselring seems to have no lack either of men or of materials. He undoubtedly has been making the most of his opportunities; and the snail-like progress of the Allies has caused genuine disappointment in Britain as well as in America.

In the Anzio-Nettuno beachhead the position is even more obscure. When the Allies made their dramatic landing in January they met with no opposition of any kind until they had succeeded in getting the bulk of their troops safely ashore. Marshal von Kesselring manifestly was caught on the wrong foot. He knew that something was about to happen, but guessed wrongly; for he rushed three reserve divisions to reinforce the main front farther south while the British and Americans were making their landing in his rear. For a few days it looked as if the march on Rome was going to be what the Americans probably described as a cake-walk. In fact, it was nothing of the kind. To-day the Allies are as far from the Italian capital as they were at the beginning. The fortune of war has fluctuated violently in the beachhead area, favouring now the Allied and now the German troops; but, taken by and large, the defenders, so far, would seem to have had the better of the argument. At any rate, they have been able to put up an exceedingly stiff resistance to all the attacks of Generals Alexander and Clark. The political situation is intensely interesting. The British and Americans are working in close union with King Victor Emmanuel and Marshal Badoglio. Mr. Churchill, in a recent speech, admitted that public opinion in Italy, so far as it could be ascertained in existing circumstances, might not be wholly favourable to His Majesty, declaring that steps would be taken to find out the real wishes of the Italian people if, and when, the Allies should occupy Rome. In the meantime, paradoxically enough, neither the British nor the American Government has recognised the Victor Emmanuel-Badoglio Administration diplomatically. On the other hand, the Russian Government actually has recognised the Italian King and his aged lieutenant. On first principles the Kremlin would be expected to withhold all recognition from a monarchical government of any kind, particularly in view of the Anglo-American attitude; but Marshal Stalin is playing his own hand, and it is an exceedingly clever hand. A Russian Ambassador has been appointed to Naples and an Italian Ambassador to Moscow. Truly, wonders never will cease. The most embarrassing feature of this remarkable business, from the Allied point of view, is the fact that neither Britain nor the United States was consulted by the Russians before they took this unprecedented step. Power politics clearly is a game that is played without any known rules.

"Switch It Off!"

The Electricity Supply Board's appeal for an all-round reduction in the consumption of electric current is a very serious one. During the last six weeks there has been barely one-fifth of the normal rainfall; the rivers are unusually low, and, consequently, the Shannon power station is producing very much less than its usual quota of current. The Pigeon House, which is the next most important source of electricity, and bears the strain when the Shannon supply is deficient, has had its output reduced very considerably by the bad quality of the coal on which its steam engines operate. Against this abnormally low supply there must be set an abnormally high demand; for many of the country's industries, unable to obtain the oil and coal on which they depended previously, are using electricity to make up the deficit. In the circumstances, it is the duty of every user to reduce his consumption of electricity as far as lies in his power. Factories are not the least offenders. Often an electric motor is left "ticking over" when its services are needed no longer. It takes a little trouble, after all, to turn off the current when the motor is idle; but, idle or not, the motor still is draining the supplies that are needed if essential machinery is to be kept in operation. Some firms have taken the practical step of employing an electricity overseer, whose job it is to check the use of current—to see that heavy motors are not being used for light jobs, and that no switches are left "on" except when work is being done. The resultant saving in current is not only beneficial to the community as a whole; its effects will be seen when the E.S.B. sends in its bill. Domestic consumers, too, can play a very big part. It is not enough merely to cut down the number of lights used in a house or to switch a light off when it is not needed. Electric fires, not electric lights, are the real villains of the piece. It is estimated that if people would refrain from using their electric fires as a luxury—in bedrooms, for instance, because it happens to be a little chilly in the morning—there would be a saving of no less than ten *per cent.* in the total consumption of the nation. Millions of the world's people at this very moment cannot obtain the barest necessities of life. Are we to jeopardise our necessities by cherishing the luxuries? The answer is simple: switch off that fire!

THE Duchess of St. Albans has arrived in Dublin from Newtown Anner, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary, and is staying at the Royal Hibernian Hotel.

Lady Somerset has arrived in Dublin from Belfast.

Lady Garraway, of Waterford, is staying in Dublin.

Commander Pack Beresford has returned from England. He and Mrs. Pack Beresford have returned to Fenagh House, Co. Carlow, from Dublin.

Colonel and Mrs. Evan Lloyd have arrived in Dublin from Offaly.

Commander and Mrs. Peter Fitzgerald came up to Dublin this week from Adare, Co. Limerick.

Switzers are showing a most attractive selection of Ladies' Gloves, suitable for Easter and after, in Washable Doeskin, Suede and Leather. They can be had in all the leading shades, and no coupons are required.

Walpoles are this week having a special display of delightful new Spring Hats. Sean Walpole.—Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

Holidays afloat. Luxurious houseboats on Lough Derg now booking rapidly for season. May augurs well for dapping. Apply Irish Cruises, Ltd., Nenagh; or Sole Booking Agents, Leslie Harris Travel, 30 College Green, Dublin.

The French Shop for smart, simple styles that are always correct for the Younger Set.—3 South William st., Dublin. Phone 72004.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear.—Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Bring your friends to the Lounge Bar, Four Courts Hotel.

Suit Dress in powder blue angora, with soft matching motifs, at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st.

Latest styles in men's serviceable shoes.—Stephens & Bourke.

Thuilliers, 4/5 Wicklow St., wish to inform their clients the Salon will be closed Good Friday to Easter Monday, inclusive. Book your Easter Perm now. Phone 71687.

Spring flowers in variety, tulips, daffodils anemones.—"Polly," Rathmines. 'Phone 92664.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen. Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

"BLIND FURY OF DESTRUCTION"

Dr. Michael O'Dwyer, President of the National University of Ireland Club in London, at the annual St. Patrickstide celebrations on Monday night, said:—

"When we are taunted with our failure to join in the crusade to rescue civilisation our reply is that our best service to civilisation is the preservation of the spiritual values which are its basis. When we see how this crusade has degenerated into a blind fury of destruction directed against Europe's historic town and cities, a destruction that does not spare the fountainhead of civilisation and the home of its greatest treasures—the Eternal City of Rome—when we hear the voice of our Holy Father, the Pope, the spiritual guardian of that civilisation—a voice crying in the wilderness—calling for some mitigation of this vandalism, and when, finally, we are told that we must expect an increase in the intensity and extent of this destruction, who can blame us for having doubts about the wisdom of abandoning our neutrality."

RED CROSS DENIES DANCE STORY

The statement is false and should be contradicted, states an Irish Red Cross Society telegram to the Editor of the Associated Press in London, objecting to the circulation of a story that, at an Irish Red Cross function in Dublin on St. Patrick's Night, "the Japanese and German representatives were present, but the American Minister was not invited."

There were no invitations issued, states the telegram, though hundreds of prominent citizens and all foreign representatives in Dublin were circulated. "No application for tickets was received from the American Minister."

FEED MORE STOCK

The grazing lands of this country, if properly exploited, could carry twice as many stock, said Dr. H. A. Lafferty, in a lecture at the U.C.D. Natural History Club inaugural meeting last night. The low stock was due to bad farming, bad management of the grazing animal and bad seed mixtures. There was no better or quicker way to improve permanent pastures and rough grazing than direct seeding, with the use of wild white clover in the mixture.

CRUISKEENLAWN

By Myles na gCopaleen

THOSE of us who spend all our time in public houses are often puzzled by pronouncements made by the Irish Association for the Prevention of Intemperance. . . .

What!

Yes, I *do* spend all my time in a public house. You see (smirks primly and rubs incredible lobe on ear) you see. . . . I own one. Have to be there to dish out the liquor. But as for touching it. . . . (Throughs hands wildly in air in theatrical gestures of renunciation). To comb Bach, however.

The Irish Association for the Prevention of Intemperance is continually denouncing "the cocktail habit." The IAPI (to abbreviate in a rather north-westerly Greek way this non-beered, spiritless and unsherried body) suggests that many catastrophes have their guinnesses sorry genesis in the consumption of cocktails on the part of young women. Now this is simply not true. I issue a (raspberry) cordial invitation to Mr. Christy Reddin of the Licenced Vintners' Association to bear me out on this—on the strict understanding, however, that he carries me in again. *Nobody drinks cocktails nowadays.* Through their eccentric refusal to enter pubs, the IAPI are twenty years out of date in their conception of the squaw liquor ritual. Nor is it clear that they quite know, or ever knew, precisely what the cocktail is. One feels that they single it out for obloquy because of its vaguely decadent and American ring — like foxtrot and cakewalk. Actually the cocktail is high up among the more harmless alcoholic compounds. It is a "long drink"; its base is usually a little gin but this is overwhelmed by a vast addendum of soda, fruit flavourings, ice and the like. It is the cynical answer we publicans give when we are asked to serve little girls. We are married men ourselves, the two daughters are in Eccles Street, and we will in no circumstances be a party to anything approaching real, puellaste carousing. We fake up this essentially coloured and bubbly mess and serve it piping cold. Nor do we stop there. We know the whole thing costs us about tenpence but by way of teaching the moustachioed whippersnapper who brought her in a lesson, we ask him to pay us two shillings and eightpence for the dose which, with fourpence for his own glass of plain, makes it three bob for the round.

There is, moreover, no such thing as "the cocktail habit." Any lady really interested in alcohol sees through this sham in about a month and begins to insist on her share of the malt. If her choice still be cocktails, she is no drinker and if the IAPI approached this drink problem scientifically, they carry out a great campaign for the revival of the cocktail fashion. (Blows nose and slumps forward meditatively) Though . . . though in a way . . . the language would be an easier job . . . .

(Goes out of room thoughtfully and comes back with small faded photograph in florid gilt frame).

Do you . . . do you see that? That was taken in 1924. Yes, semi-frock-coat, stove-pipes an' all —that's me. And this extraordinary person in the hat, apparently attired in a plaque of symmetrical cardboard, hapless, hipless and hopeless? The wife, of course. You wouldn't remember the twenties, of course, but it was all cocktails then, and the Charleston, and cottages up on Ticknock, an' poretry, and your two men opening the Gate Theatre. Will I ever forget "Ghosts" in the Peacock? And poor A.E.! (Begins to blubber quietly). And the games of chess we used to play in the old D.B.C. in Dame Street! (Produces small capsule of "snow"; from vest pocket and takes enormous dose; waddles out of room to replace picture, crying and snuffling audibly. Without, voice can be heard muttering:)

Cocktails, is it? *Cocktails*? Ah, God be with the days!

DROGHEDA GRAMMAR SCHOOL O.B.A.

The annual dinner of the Drogheda Grammar School Old Boys' Association was held in the School Dining Hall on March 18th. The guests included the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, Mr. B. L. Allen, Mr. A. Cowdy and Professor J. Johnston, F.T.C.D. The musical programme was provided by Mr. Mervyn Bell, guest artist; Mr. J. Jordan, and Mr. R. Payne.

In reply to the toast of "The School," the Headmaster, Mr. W. Fleming Thompson, spoke of the aims and ideals of the school. "We prefer," he said, "that a boy should become a man of character, a man of his word, a man of principle, rather than achieve glittering success at the expense of other things."

The toast of "Our Guests," proposed by Mr. R. McD. Taylor, President, was replied to by Mr. B. L. Allen. At a meeting before the dinner the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. R. McD. Taylor; vice-president, Mr. C. W. Murdock; hon. secretary, Mr. S. N. Ruttle; hon. treasurer, Mr. G. Jordan. Committee—The above, with Mr. L. Strath and Mr. D. Hartford.

"NOBODY'S CHILDREN"

"The nurses are nobody's children; their work is never recognised as a profession or a trade; they are ineligible for unemployment benefits, and it is not made compulsory for them to have their National Health cards stamped." These were some of the grievances of the nursing profession mentioned by Mrs. Linda Kearns McWhinney, Hon. Secretary of the Irish Nurses' Organisation, when she spoke at yesterday's meeting of the Irish Women Citizens' Association. Miss R. Jacob was in the chair.

The Minister for Local Government and Public Health, she said, held out hope of a pensions scheme, and had gone so far as to provide finances for the salary and expenses of an organiser, in the hope of finding out how many nurses are eligible for pensions.

IRISH WILLS

Lucas D. Gray, Riverdale, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan, £14,159 (gross in Eire); Francis F. O'Sullivan, solicitor, Ennis, Co. Clare, £23,082 (gross in Eire); Robert Erskine, The Yews, Newry, £3,805 (gross in Eire); Daniel Doherty, Buncrana, Donegal, £2,225 (gross in Eire); James O'Brien, Ardswell, Athy, Kildare, £2,093 (gross in Eire); Walter A. Woods, Cootehill, Cavan, £3,274 (gross in Eire); William S. Kelly, James's street, Dublin, £2,726 (gross in Eire); George W. Thornley, Dunrath, Sutton, Co. Dublin (Assay master), £1,943 (gross in Eire); Robert W. G. Harrison, Johnstown, Kill, Co. Kildare, £1,714 (gross in Eire); Peter O'Neill, Chiftonville rd., Glasnevin, £1,593 (gross in Eire).

IRISH EGGS

Irish egg production is being "pepped up" in a new campaign for more eggs and better prices. Thousands of copies of P.E.P. magazine (profitable egg production), published by the new National Poultry Production Committee, have been distributed in the country, and an almost immediate reaction is reflected in a widespread interest displayed in many messages of congratulation to the committee.

We can arrange all your Insurances at best rates.—Alan B. Kidd, Ltd., Insurance Brokers, 14 Dawson street, Dublin. —(Advt.)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

"CHILDREN OF ROME"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—Mr. de Valera, in his St. Patrick's Day address, attributed to the Saint the admonition from the Book of Armagh: "Even as you are children of Christ, be ye also children of Rome."

This *dictum* is one of some detached notes written in between the ending of the life of St. Patrick by Muirchu and the beginning of that by Tirechan. It is probably due to the scribe who wrote the Book of Armagh, and so cannot be given a greater antiquity than the ninth century.

It is impossible to regard it as a genuine saying of St. Patrick, who always used the word "Roman" as meaning the Roman Empire. This was the obvious sense the word bore in his age and for long after. For instance, in the Letter to Coroticus he referred "to the citizens of the holy Romans" and to the "custom of the Roman Gauls." He never mentions the Church of Rome in his unquestioned writings.

The whole *dictum* is plainly an attempt to recommend a liturgical change by claiming Patrician authorisation; — "Church of the Scots, yea rather of the Romans, that you may be Christians as that you may be Romans, there should be chanted among you at every hour of prayer the laudable *Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.* Let every Church which follows me sing *Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison. Deo gratias.*"

The introduction of these versicles ("Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us") to the worship of Western Europe was posterior to St. Patrick's time.—Yours, etc.,

W. S. KERR.

41 Wellington Park, Belfast.
March 20th, 1944.

Dr. David Mitchell, Dublin, and Dr. Dorothy Moore, Portaferry, who were married recently at Portaferry, Co. Down.

SCHOOL OF PHYSIC, TRINITY COLLEGE

HILARY TERM, 1944

PRE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION

ZOOLOGY.—First Class Honors—Sloan, D. B.; Burrows, F. G. D. and Cockrill, J. N. (equal). Second Class Honors—Cusack, Anne L. J.; Clein, L. J. and Good, Agnes C. (equal); Pringle, Edith M.; Wallace, Margaret F.; Gallagher, N. T. Myles, P. J., Saville, Stephanie and Williamson, E. R. D. (equal); Laird, S. M., Meeks, Thelma, R. W. and Troughton, W. D. H. (equal), Pass—Franklin, Audrey M.; Laughlin, Daphne A.; Beckett, D. W., Bell, N. E., Browne, Evelyn, Karmel, Beatrice F., McHugh, Sheilagh M. and Nixon, J. F. (equal); Judge, B. P. F.; Siberry, E. N., Michael, T. T. E. Rescintial, A. and Young, R. S. (equal); Beatty, Olive M., Fazackerley, B. B., Miller, D., Powell, Enid K., Rogers, Kathleen C., and Wilson, W. McC. (equal); Hendly, Anna J., and Poots, Gwendoline G. L. (equal); Buchanan, Joan L., McVicker, A. W., and Owens, Eva V. (equal); Cahill, E. P. M.,

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

Notices in this Column (which must be authenticated) are charged for at 1/- per line (minimum 3/-).

BIRTHS

ALGAR—March 14, 1944, at the Leinster Nursing Home, to Gladys, wife of Herbert W. Algar, B.E., a daughter.

COSTIGAN—March 13, 1944, at Leinster Nursing Home, to Hilda, wife of Daniel Costigan, 22 Merlyn road, Ballsbridge, a daughter.

DUKES—March 15, 1944, at Rotunda Hospital, to Molly, wife of Wm. G. Dukes, 136 Dunluce road, Clontarf, a son (George Clive).

HARTE BARRY—March 13, 1944, to Marjorie, wife of Eric Ian Harte Barry, The Moorings, Kanturk, a son.

HARTFORD—March 15, 1944, to Clare, wife of Anthony J. A. Hartford, 17 Beechwood Park, a son (Brian Stanley).

LUCAS—March 19, 1944, at Portobello House, Dublin, to Rosemary (*née* Linehan), wife of Major T. G. E. Lucas, a daughter.

LYONS—March 15, 1944, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Betty (*née* Moylett), wife of J. J. Lyons, Bettystown, a daughter.

O'LEARY—March 16, 1944, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Marjorie (*née* Daly), wife of Arthur O'Leary, Cleveland, Garville road, Rathgar, a daughter (Jacqueline Margaret).

REID—March 17, 1944, at the Rotunda Hospital, to Eric and Violet Reid (*née* Evans), 190 Dunluce road, Clontarf, a daughter (Hazel Adelaide).

STEIN—March 13, 1944, at Harcourt Nursing Home, to Daphne, wife of Maurice Stein, a son.

DEATHS

BIGGER—March 21, 1944, at Church View, Ballyshannon, William Sandford, second son of the late Alexander Bigger, of Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal.

COSSLETT-HELLER—March 20, 1944, at 99 Upper Leeson street, Dublin, Madame Gwen Cosslett-Heller. Funeral at 10.45 a.m. to-day (Wednesday) at Mount Jerome, after Service at Christ Church, Leeson Park, at 10.15 a.m.

ORINION—March 21, 1944, at his residence, Breffni, Baldoyle, Peter J. Crinion, in his 85th year. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. House and funeral private.

CROLY—March 21, 1944, at her residence, Hillside, Milltown, Annie, relict of the late Thomas John Croly of Dublin Corporation and Saint Lawrence road, Clontarf. Regretted by her loving sons and daughters. Funeral private to "Peace, perfect peace."

DYAS—March 20, 1944, at a private nursing home, Dublin, Alice E. Dyas, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dyas, of Catlepole, Kells, Co. Meath. Funeral (private) to Kells Cemetery to-morrow (Thursday), from Dublin, at 9 a.m., unless otherwise.

GOODBODY—March 21, 1944, at Pembroke House, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Jonathan Goodbody, husband of Ellen Pim Goodbody, of his nineteenth year. Funeral (private) arriving Friends' Burial Ground, Temple Hill, to-morrow (Thursday), 23rd inst., at 10 a.m. No flowers, please.

HEGARTY—March 20, 1944, at the Hardwicke Hospital, John Stewart, son of Henry and Elizabeth Hegarty (late of Messrs. Baxendale and Co.). Remains will be removed from hospital at 6 p.m. to-day (Wednesday) to Drumcondra Church. Interment after Service to-morrow (Thursday), 10 a.m. "Th. will be done."

LADLEY—March 6, 1944, at Stretford, Manchester, Samuel James Ladley, of 120 Connaught street eldest son of the late Robert Ladley, of this city. Deeply regretted.

McKIERNAN—March 20, 1944, at 8 Clare View terrace, Limerick, Delia, beloved wife of Arthur McKiernan. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband and daughter. R.I.P. Funeral to-day (Wednesday).

MADDOCKS—March 21, 1944, at his residence, Imperial Tobacco Sports Grounds, Crumlin, Dublin, Henry J. Maddocks. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, family, brother, sister, relatives and friends. R.I.P. Remains will be removed from above this (Wednesday) evening at 6 o'clock to St. Agnes's Church, Crumlin. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday) after 10 o'clock Mass to Mount Jerome.

MURPHY—March 21, 1944, George Murphy, 5 St. James's terrace, Malahide. R.I.P. Remains to be brought to St Sylvester's Church to-morrow (Wednesday), at 7 p.m. Funeral after 10 o'clock Mass to-morrow (Thursday) to Glasnevin.

MYERS—March 20, 1944, at Doninga, Goresbridge, Kate, second daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Myers. Funeral to-day (Wednesday) to Goresbridge at 3 p.m. (S.T.)

PHELPS—March 20, 1944, at 37 Palmerston road, Dublin, Ernest James Phelps, K.C., aged 76 years. Service Leeson Park Church at 10 a.m. to-morrow (Thursday), March 23rd. No flowers, by request.

POWER—March 20, 1944, John Thomas Power, aged 87, last surviving son of Daniel Dixon Power, of Ballingarry, Co. Limerick. Funeral strictly private.

RUBINSTEIN—March 21, 1944, Myer Rubinstein, 22 Emorville avenue and 31 Lower Clanbrassil street. Deeply mourned by his grandchildren, great-children, sisters, brothers, relatives, and a large circle of friends. Funeral to-day (Wednesday) to Jewish Cemetery at 5 p.m.

SHAEN-CARTER—February 23, 1944, Wilfreda Christine Shaen-Carter, of Fleet End, Hinchampstead, Berks, and of Shaen Manor, Erris, Co. Mayo.

WAKEFIELD—March 21, 1944, at a Dublin nursing home, John Henry Wakefield, of 10 Mountjoy square, aged 79. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), 23rd March, arriving at Dean's Grange Cemetery at 11.30.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

DONOVAN—The widow and relatives of the late Alban B. Donovan, Carina, Sandycove, return sincere thanks to all kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent great sorrow.

IN MEMORIAM

DALY—In dearest memory of mother, 22nd March, 1941.—M.

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